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I believe what we do with the passage of 798 is open up the door for a lot of expenditures that aren't necessary in a system that is already too expensive, too many pieces of equipment, too many facilities, too many services that aren't, I believe, called for or needed, but I understand the strong forces that are in favor of the bill, and those of you who haven't had the long history and experience with the issue, I can understand why, with changes in the marketplace, you feel comfortable with the idea of making the change. I, for one, predict problems and that we will revisit the issue at some point in the future as costs continue to go up. With that, I'll leave it up. Are there any other lights, Mr. Speaker?

SPEAKER WITHEM: Yes.

SENATOR WESELY: I'll leave it up then.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Witek. Senator Witek's light is off. Senator Wesely, do you have closing? Closing is waived. The amendment is withdrawn. The next vote is to dispense with Final Reading LB 798. All in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Record.

CLERK: 33 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, to dispense with Final Reading.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Mr. Clerk, please read the title.

CLERK: (Read title of LB 798.)

SPEAKER WITHEM: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 798 pass with the emergency clause attached? All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Record.

CLERK: (Read record vote. See page 2680 of the Legislative Journal.) 37 ayes, 5 nays, 6 present and not voting, 1 excused and not voting.

SPEAKER WITHEM: LB 798 passes with the emergency clause attached. Mr. Clerk, please read LB 798A.